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OF NUCLEAR FUEL FROM FUEL POOL

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2009, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Listing of the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this Amendment.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
Total	14	-	34	=	0
Independent	2	-	6	=	0